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REMARKS

Disclosure

The disclosure has been amended to correct the inadvertent grammatical errors noted therein by the Examiner.

Abstract

The abstract has been amended to remove the term "means" therefrom.

Drawings

Permission is requested to cancel the drawings presently on file and substitute therefore the drawings submitted herewith. The newly submitted drawings, in addition to improving the form of the lines, etc. address the objections to the drawings noted by the Examiner in paragraphs 1 and 2 of the action.

In particular, the rubber sheet 59 has been identified in Figure 3 and Figures 5 and 6 have been amended to include the reference numerals noted at page 10. It is noted that Figures 5 and 6 are submitted to illustrate various embodiments of clamping devices for the leaf springs and, therefore, it is submitted that these drawings need not illustrate the entirety of the suspension. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Claims – 35 USC 112

Claims 1, 7 and 17 have been amended to provide proper antecedents for the elements of the claims, in accordance with 35 USC 112, second paragraph.

Claims – 35 USC 102

Claims 1 to 20 were rejected by the Examiner under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Neavitt et al (US Patent 6,273,441). The Examiner also rejected claims 1

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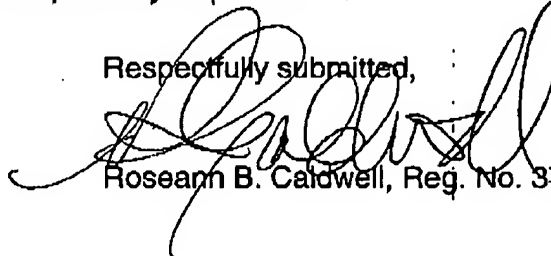
to 4, 8, 9, 11 to 14, 18 and 19 under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Gannett (US Patent 1,951,477).

Claims 1 and 3 to 20 have been amended to more clearly define the invention sought to be protected by them. In particular, these claims have been amended to define a child carrier suspension and a child carrier including a suspension. Neither Neavitt et al. nor Gannett teach a child carrier, such as a stroller, bicycle trailer or sled, including a seat and a frame and neither teach a child carrier suspension for mounting on a child carrier having a seat and a frame. Suspensions for child carriers, such as that shown by the cited US 2002/0163158, have been limited to the use of rubber inserts or shock absorber cylinders and have been difficult to adjust. As such, the invention defined by claims 1 and 3 to 20 clearly patentably distinguishes over the cited prior art.

New claims 21 to 70 have been added to define further aspects of the present invention. Each of the newly added claims defines an invention not shown or suggested by Neavitt et al. or Gannett.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

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